Remarks

Claims 1-10 are pending in the application. The Examiner

has required Applicant to restrict the claims of the pending application to one of the following inventions:

Invention I:

"a breathing mask with a protective shield"

(encompassing claims 1-7); or

Invention II:

"a storage box for a protective shield" (encompassing

claims 8-10).

In response to the Examiner's requirement, but without conceding the propriety thereof, Applicant elects Invention I (claims 1-7).

Conclusion

Applicant requests that the Examiner allow claims 1-7 and that a patent containing these claims issue in due course.

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